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APPARATUS FOR
SIMULATING A
BIOLOGICAL HEAP
LEACHING PROCESS

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Response To Non-Final Rejection

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In response to the Non-Final Rejection mailed July 8, 2009, please reconsider the claims in light of the following amendments and remarks.